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In response to the Office Action of September 5, 2002, the following remarks and the accompanying Rule 132 Declaration are submitted to place the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. In order not to delay prosecution, the Rule 132 Declaration is being submitted unsigned, with the signed Declaration to follow shortly. A petition and fee for a two (2) month extension of time is also submitted herewith.

REMARKS

In the Office Action, claims 1-13 and 15-23 are pending.

Claims 1-13, 15-17 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) based on the "rejection set forth in the prior Office Action paper number 5". Upon review of the prior Office Action, Applicant assumes the 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejection referred to in the present Office Action rejects the enumerated claims as being anticipated by Pearson et